If You Could Read My Mind (Gordon Lightfoot)

G
If you could read my mind love –
F
What a tale my thoughts could tell
G
Just like an old time movie –
F
'bout a ghost from a wishin' well
G
In a castle dark or a fortress strong
D
With chains upon my feet -
C
You know that ghost is me
C
And I will never be set free
Am7
As long as I'm a ghost that you can't see
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If I could read your mind love -
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What a tale your thoughts could tell
G
Just like a paperback novel -
F
The kind that drugstores sell
G
When you reach the part
C
Where the heartaches come
D
The hero would be me - But heroes often fail
C
And you won't read that book again
Am7
Because the feeling's just too hard to take
G F G F (melody for first two lines of verse)

G G7 C
I'd walk away - like a movie star
D Em
Who gets burned in a three way script
C G
Enter number two -
C G
A movie queen to play the scene
Am7
Of bringing all the good things out in me
C G
But for now love, let's be real
C G
I never thought I could act this way

Am7 D
And I've got to say that I just don't get it
C G
I don't know where we went wrong
Am7 D G
But the feeling's gone and I just can't get it back
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